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The order followed in the lesson on the "Making of Percentage Solutions from a Pure Drug" is indicative of the general plan followed in presenting the different types of problems. First is given the rule for working out the problem, followed by such explanations as will clarify the rule. Several examples of the particular type of problem are given and they are worked out in detail. The examples are followed by ten problems which may be used for practice, the answers to the problems being given in the back of the book. Fractional dosage and the giving of grains from percentage solutions are also explained. The first lesson in the book is on Hypodermic Medication and is followed by the two systems of Weights and Measures. It would seem that the basic weights and measures should have preceded the lesson on Hypodermic Medication. Similarly one would suggest that the material on the meaning of percentage should precede the lessons on the making of percentage solutions. There are a number of helpful tables such as the weight of one level teaspoonful of common powders and crystals, and a table of percentages expressed in decimals and proportion.

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THE METRIC VS. THE ENGLISH SYSTEM OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

A report prepared by the Research Department of the National Industrial Conference Board. 261 pages. The Century Co., New York. Price \$2.50, postpaid.

The subject is treated under three headings. Part I includes the History and Present National Status of Systems of Weights and Measures. Part II includes the Use of Metric and English Systems in Special Fields. Part III includes Arguments for and against the Substitution of the Metric for the English System in the United States.

SUCCESS IN THE SUBURBS. By John R. McMahon. 350 pages. G. P. Putnam's Sons. Price \$2.00.

AN AMERICAN FRUIT FARM. By Francis Newton Thorpe. 343 pages. G. P. Putnam's Sons.

THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY IN THE WORLD WAR. Vol. XV, Statistics. Part I, Army Anthropology.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SURGEON GENERAL OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES. For the fiscal year 1921.

The contents of this interesting volume include the following subjects: Administrative Organization, Divisions of Scientific Re-

search, of Domestic Quarantine, of Foreign and Insular Quarantine, of Immigration, of Sanitary Reports and Statistics, of Marine Hospitals and Relief, of Personnel and Accounts, of Venereal Diseases, the General Inspection Service, and the Section of Public Health.

The discussion of the Section of Nursing states that the lack of a sufficient number of trained nurses for hospitals caring for tuberculous patients is a problem of importance. Particular emphasis is placed on the importance of securing legislation of a character that will stabilize the service, although it is noted that one of the encouraging features of the year is the improvement of the general morale of the nursing service.

Under the general heading of Scientific Research are included reports of investigations of botulism, influenza, malaria, pellagra, plague, leprosy, trachoma, typhoid, and yellow fever. Studies have also been made of child hygiene, public health administration, and of rural sanitation.

BOOKS TO BE REVIEWED

SURGICAL NURSING. By Colp and Keller. Macmillan. Price \$3.00.

SURGICAL AND GYNECOLOGICAL NURSING. By Parker and Breckenridge. Lippincott. Price \$3.00.

A FORM OF RECORD FOR HOSPITAL SOCIAL WORK. By Gertrude L. Farmer. Lippincott. Price \$1.50.

VICE AND HEALTH. By John Clarence Funk. Lippincott. 174 pages. Price \$1.50.

LIFE OF CLARA BARTON. By William Barton. Houghton Mifflin. Price \$10.00.

PSYCHOLOGY FOR NURSES. By Mary B. Eyre. Macmillan. 200 pages.

THE VITAMINS. By Professor Sherman and S. L. Smith. Chemical Catalogue Co. Price \$4.00.

FIRST YEAR NURSING. By Minnie H. Goodnow. Saunders. 358 pages. Price \$2.75.